

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings and versions of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising an oligosaccharide blend that comprises fructo-oligosaccharide (FOS) and galacto-oligosaccharide (GOS), wherein (a) each of said FOS and said GOS contains up to about 95% by weight of oligofructose composed of chains with a degree of polymerization ranging from about 2 to about 7 ~~and said GOS contains up to about 95% by weight of oligofructose composed of chains with a degree of polymerization ranging from about 2 to about 7~~; (b) the weight ratio of FOS and GOS is from about 0.5 to about 20; and (c) the FOS and GOS are capable of synergistically promoting the growth of *Lactobacilli*, such that their combined prebiotic property is greater than the a sum of their individual prebiotic properties.

2-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the amount of the FOS and GOS blend is comprised between about 2.0 to about 55% by weight or by volume, based on the total weight or total volume of the composition.

6. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said composition provides at least ~~400kcal~~ 400 kcal per serving.

7. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, ~~which~~ wherein the composition comprises more than about 1 en % protein, based on the total caloric content of the composition.

8. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the composition is nutritionally complete.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 5, wherein the composition ~~which~~ comprises, per 100 ml: about 1.25 g FOS, about 1.25 g GOS, about 9 g proteins, about 22 g carbohydrates and about 9 g fats.

11. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the composition is a ready-for-consumption composition.

12-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition further ~~comprising~~ comprises glutamine.